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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/777,968 Confirmation No. 6040  
Applicant : Brian James Hitt et al  
Filed : February 12, 2004  
  
Art Unit : 3683  
Examiner: : Butler, Douglas C.  
  
Docket (atty ref.) No. : 16771-US  
Title : Dual Rate Leaf Spring Suspension for Utility Vehicle

Moline, IL 61265  
10 February 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Amendment

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 19, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.